

MOULTON.—The top stone of the spire of Moulton church, through which the spire of the weather-vane passed, weighing nearly half a cwt., fell to the ground on Sunday evening, the 19th ult., fortunately without doing injury. It is evidently modern, and has the date 1810 engraved on its top, which is very porous, and consequently was unfit for such an exposed situation. An opportunity, in all probability, will soon be afforded for removing the present shaggy weathercock, and placing one more suitable for the elegant spire. In Woolley's sketches of this village we find the following prediction. "In 1810 a youth named Thornton (now residing at Spalding) after climbing up the spire by the crotchets, just as he was about to raise himself to the top, holding by the weathercock, it broke off at its socket, and actually fell into his arms, swinging him half round; he had, however, the presence of mind to hold fast to the stone-work with the other hand, and letting the enormous barthen fall, he himself afterwards reached the ground in safety. A new weathercock was put up in 1810, but much too large for the light and airy spire, it is intended to ornament it again as though it would at no distant day break down the top of the stone-work."

In all directions there is a vast exchange of property going forward in Lincoln and, in addition, much capital is finding its way into bricks and mortar for business purposes; but no private individual seems to venture on the sort of building which for Lincoln promises, we think, the safest and most profitable investment for money, namely, the building of houses for the retired part of the community. For such houses there is a great demand, and many are promised four and five deep to persons anxious to occupy them. With this fact before us, it would be thought that eligible spots would be secured upon by buildings for that most profitable class to a trading community, retired persons. Two or three capitalists suggest the formation of a company for effecting the object that has been so often mooted, and so often suffered to die away again. Could not a public meeting be obtained to discuss the question in all its bearings? With the beginning of any thing in real earnest, three-fourths of the difficulty always vanishes.

REJOICING AT CREWE.—The Grand Junction Railway Company having transferred a great portion of their work to Crewe, a new town has suddenly arisen there. The extensive workshops have been built by Messrs. Samuel and James Holmes, and are regarded as models of architecture in reference to the purpose for which they have been constructed. There are now dependent on the company there about twelve hundred persons, for a show neat and comfortable dwellings have been provided. The company gave them all a public entertainment in celebration of the establishment of this new town.

A project exists for the erection of a public building in Leeds on a scale much more capacious than any that at present exists. The principal room is to seat three thousand persons, and the edifice is to consist of an hotel of a very superior kind (resembling some of the hotels in Manchester and Liverpool), a mansion lodge, and a picture gallery, with other accommodations applicable to public purposes.

PUBLIC BATHS, ABERDEEN.—The Lord Provost of Aberdeen convened a public meeting for Wednesday last, at the requisition of a most respectable body of the inhabitants, "to consider the propriety of establishing public baths."

TO OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

"A Member of the Institution of the Builders' Foremen" has our thanks for his kind communication; if just happened, however, that we had received the same from another quarter. We hope he will not fail to oblige us in a similar way on every similar occasion.

"S. N." complaint being anonymous, and affecting the character of a tradesman, is inadmissible. "S. N." and all others will please to bear in mind that we are not answerable for the advertisements that appear in our paper, or at any rate could only exercise our discretion in extreme cases; if he will substantiate the case by his name, we shall feel bound to take it up; it is a serious charge that an article should be advertised and refused on such a plea as the one alleged. We must set our faces against being made parties to any imposition. The respectability of our advertisements we hold to be unquestioned and unquestionable.

"Mr. Keily." Patience is a necessary virtue. He is quite right; we have to exercise it, and we claim its proper exercise in others.

ENCAUSTIC TILES.—"W. B." is informed that there are several manufactories of Encaustic Tiles. We have notice of Mr. Grimley's, Oxford, whose price is as low as 6d. per foot; by writing to him, "W. B." would be able to procure lithographic designs, to guide him in his choice.

"Leonidas."—His letter can be inserted only as an advertisement.

"Mr. Bray."—It is thanked for his suggestion; we have the same thing in view, but shall be obliged to defer it for some time longer.

"Mr. King, Bath."—The letter respecting his stone grates can be inserted only as an advertisement. This must be obvious to him on the least consideration.

"Malton's Perspective" is inquired for again. If it do not turn up, we will take steps for republishing it in some equivalent form. Nicholson's Carpenter's Guide is in tolerable good preservation, half-bound, is offered at 15s., and R. Blom's Perpetual Price Book, quite new, half-bound, at 6s.

Try "H. P. L." who is informed that Barr's and Blom's works can be procured through THE BUILDERS' Office, if he wishes; the former price 6s., the latter price 6s. or by applying to his bookseller, who will procure it for him. H. P. L. will oblige us by requesting a respectable bookseller to procure him his paper weekly; he may then have it unstamped and unfolded.

"X. Y. Z." shall have the best answer we can procure him by another week.

"Candidates." His design for a shooting lodge received, and will have place.

"A Constant Reader." Inquiring as to the newest patterns for moulding planes. We will collect what information we can against next week.

"W. W." does not say a word too strong in favour of the beautiful new church at Cammerell. We shall gladly seek permission of Messrs. Scott and Moffatt, and, if we obtain it, publish the view requested. Messrs. Webb are the builders.

TENDERS.

TENDERS recently delivered for Kingston-on-Railway new Church.—Messrs. Stevens and Alexander, architects.

Howard and Son	£3,985
Jay	3,937
Lawrence	3,800
Gerry	3,705
Skelton	3,694
Bothwell, of Dorking	3,656
Stevenson	3,375

TENDER for restoring Parish Church of St. Olaves, in Tooley-street.—Mr. Allen, architect:

Franklin	£5,159
Parvial	6,020
Sagden	5,870
Lowther	5,499
Wilson	5,488
Cooper and Davis	5,450
Ward	5,388
Nicholson	5,356
Wolcott	5,288
Kempster	6,280
Cooper	5,223
Jay	5,132
Smith	4,998
Bentham	4,725
Hamden	4,674
Little and Son	4,650
Ryder	4,618
Coleman (declined)	4,092

TENDERS delivered for erecting a station at the Dover Terminal, South Eastern Railway.—Lewis Cubitt, Esq., Architect:

Baker and Son	£34,940
Wolcott and Son	34,820
Peare and Guerrier	34,598
Locke and Nesbitt	34,520
Jackson	34,316
Winsland	33,921
Piper and Son	33,700
Hicks and Son	32,700
Grissell and Peto	32,576
Little and Son	30,776
G. Webb	30,267
Newton and Kelt	29,900
Grimsdell	29,475

The above were not opened in the presence of the Builders.

TENDERS for finishing No. 28, Lewes Crescent, Kemp Town, Brighton, for G. Robins, Esq., of Covent Garden.

Cheeseman and Son, Brighton	£1,720 0
Russell, Brighton	1,719 10
Widder, do	1,634 0
Anconeb do	1,645 0
Reynolds, Kensington Park, London	1,600 0

NOTICES OF CONTRACTS.

RAILWAY WORKS.—NORTHAMPTON to PA. TERBOUGH.—No. 1, 15 miles, 1,100 yards; 2, 16 miles, 900 yards; 3, 13 miles, 200 yards.—Office, 6, Castle-street, Holborn; Richard Cross, Secretary, Euston Station. December 20 to January 11.

KENTISH TOWN.—Lighting with gas, naphtha, oil, or any other material, and supplying apparatus. Clerk to Commissioners, 1, Montague-place, Kentish Town. Dec. 22.

CAMBRIDGE.—HILLS-ROAD.—Making a sewer of about 80 yards length.—Frederick Randall, Clerk to Commissioners, Cambridge. Dec. 26, 1843.

KENTISH TOWN CHAPEL.—TAKING DOWN AND REBUILDING.—Distracting, at Messrs. Scadding and Son, Solicitors, 3, Gordon-street, Gordon-square. 4 Jan., 1844.

PARISH OF BETHNAL-GREEN.—Lighting with about 80 spirit lamps.—Specification at Mr. Blinn, 123, Church-street, Bethnal-green Road; Robert Branton, Clerk. Dec. 21.

BRIDLETON PIERS AND HARBOUR.—Erection of a new north pier, removal of present pier, and other works for enlargement of Harbour.—Plans and Specifications at Mr. Sidney Taylor, Solicitor, Bridlington, after Jan. 1, 1844; March 1, 1844.

BANFF PRISON.—BUILDING A SEWER.—G. A. Young Leslie, Banff. Dec. 27, 1843.

ADDENBROOK'S HOSPITAL, CAMBRIDGE.—ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS.—Drawings and Specification at Mr. Walter, Architect, Trumpington, Cambridge, after the 18th.—F. Barlow, Secretary, St. Andrew's-street, Cambridge. Jan. 1, 1844.

ENLARGEMENT OF SPITAL LUNATIC ASYLUM.—SPECIFICATIONS, &c.—Dr. Kitchin, the Asylum; J. H. Burton, Clerk of the Peace, Bury St. Edmunds. January 23, 1844.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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GERISH'S PATENT DOOR-SPRINGS FOR CLOSING EVERY DESCRIPTION OF DOOR.—Manufactured, 16, East Road, Horton New Town.

These Springs consist of parallel and rising Hinges in Room or Iron, and Spring Catches for Doors opening both ways.

These improved Spring Hinges or Door Springs merit general attention, as they can be applied to any door, in every situation, without detaching the wood-work; they are in use in every house, and are made to suit the best use in use for nearly one-half the price; they allow the door to go quite back, and are not likely to get out of repair.

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